

## A brief history of Japanese Whisky

- 1899 Shinjori Torii established Torri Shoten in Asoka. This will later evolve into Suntory.
- 1918 Shinjori Torii invested his family fortune to pursue his dream to make Japanese whisky.
- 1919 The White Oak distillery is the first distillery that was licensed to produce whisky. From that moment on they started to produce blended whisky from imported whisky.
- 1923 The construction of the Yamazaki Distillery started in Yamazaki in the outskirts of Kyoto.
- 1924 Together with Masatake Taketsuru, Shinjori Torii started producing whisky.
- 1929 Shinjiro Torii launched Suntory Shirofadu and failed because it didn't fit into Japanese tastes.
- 1934 Masatake Taketsuru established the Yoichi Distillery in Hokkaido.
- 1935 Mercian Corporation established the Kawasaki Distillery.
- 1937 Shinjori Torii launched Suntory Kukabin and became the country's no.1 selling whisky.
- 1941 The Akuto Family, which were making sake from 1600's, established the Hanyu Distillery under the careful watch of Isouji Akuto.
- 1949 Shinshu, Mars Distillery was established in Kagoshima.
- 1955 Karuizawa distillery was established by Mercian Corporation.
- 1969 Masatake Taketsuru established his 2nd distillery Miyagikyo in the Sendai region.
- 1972 Suntory established the Sun Grain Chita distillery and is only producing single grain whisky. This also the location where Suntory makes the Hibiki Blend.
- 1973 The Hakushu distillery was established by Suntory in the forest of Mount Kaikoma. The second name of the distillery is the forest distillery. Kirin established the Fuji Gotemba distillery at the foot of Mount Fuji.
- 1977 Tochigi Distillery was opened by Masatake Taketsuru and was his last project. This is the location where the blend, store and age there blended whisky Taketsuru.
- 1984 Shinshu, Mars Distillery moved all the whisky production to Nagano. Also the White Oak distillery established a new distillery to produce single malt whisky's.
- 1989 To honor the 90th anniversary of Suntory, Suntory released the Hibiki 17yrs blended whisky.
- 1992 Shinshu, Mars distillery stopped producing whisky due to lack of demand.
- 2000 Hanyu distillery and Karuizawa stopped production of whisky and closed doors. Mercian Corporation stopped producing whiskey and was later sold to Kirin.
- 2004 Ichirio Akuto established the ChiChiBu distillery in ChiChibu.
- 2008 Ichirio Akuto bought most stock from his families closed distillery Hanyu but also from the Karuizawa and the Kawasaki distillery.
- 2009 Hibiki 21yrs won the best whisky in the world award.
- 2010 Shinshu, Mars Distillery reopened after a reorganisation and started producing whisky once again.
- 2016 Loads of things are happening in the world of whisky. Age statements are not being produced anymore or produced in small quantities and new distillery's are established in Japan.



Please note that Japanese whisky with an age statement are hard to get. We try to keep our whisky menu as accurate as possible, but it can happen that we run out of stock and that the whisky you want is not available at that moment.

We offer flights in our menu. The flight consists of three whisky's of 15 ml each from the same company with the same age statement or close to the same age.

### Special serves

#### Highball

This is the most popular serve for whiskies in Japan. The whisky is stirred with crystal clear ice and gently topped up with chilled soda water. The carbonation is bringing the whisky to life. This is a perfect serve for a smoky or peaty whiskys.

#### Mizuwari

The whisky is mixed with chilled still water. This serve suits more delicate malts.

#### On The Rock

We serve the whisky on a crystal clear ice ball. The ice ball cools the whisky without diluting it too much.

<b>Non Age Statement Whisky's</b>		50 ml
Suntory	Chita	€ 9,50
Suntory	Hakushu Distiller's Reserve	€ 9,50
Suntory	Yamazaki Distiller's Reserve	€ 9,50
Suntory	Hibiki Japanese Harmony	€ 9,50
Suntory	Hibiki Master's Select	€ 11,50
Suntory	Suntory Whisky White	€ 9,50
Nikka	From The Barrel (51,4%)	€ 8,00
Nikka	Coffey Malt Whisky	€ 9,50
Nikka	Coffey Grain Whisky	€ 9,50
Nikka	Miyagikyo NAS (43% New Release)	€ 9,50
Nikka	Yoichi NAS (43% New Release)	€ 9,50
Nikka	Taketsuru Pure Malt NAS (43% New Release)	€ 9,50
ChiChiBu	Ichiro Malt & Grain	€ 12,50
Shinshu, Mars	Maltage Cosmo	€ 9,50
Gotemba Fuji	Kirin 50%	€ 9,50
Kavalan	Single Malt (40%)	€ 9,50
Kavalan	Concertmaster Port Finish (40%)	€ 9,50
Kavalan	ex-Bourbon Finish (46%)	€ 9,50
Kavalan	ex-Sherry Finish (46%)	€ 9,50
Sazanokawa	Yamazakura NAS Blended Whisky	€ 12,50

<b>Suntory, Japan</b>		25 ml
Hakushu 12yrs		€ 12,50
Hakushu 18yrs		€ 19,50
Yamazaki 10yrs		€ 14,50
Yamazaki 12yrs		€ 12,50
Yamazaki 18yrs		€ 27,50
Yamazaki Limited Edition 2015		€ 14,50
Hibiki 12yrs		€ 12,50
Hibiki 17yrs		€ 17,50
Hibiki 21yrs		€ 27,50

<b>Nikka, Japan</b>		25 ml
Black 8		€ 9,50
Miyagikyo NAS (45% Old Release)		€ 12,50
Miyagikyo 10yrs		€ 12,50
Miyagikyo 12yrs		€ 14,50
Miyagikyo 15yrs		€ 16,50
Yoichi NAS (45% Old Release)		€ 12,50
Yoichi 10yrs		€ 12,50
Yoichi 12yrs		€ 14,50
Yoichi 15yrs		€ 16,50
Taketsuru Pure Malt 12yrs		€ 12,50
Taketsuru Pure Malt 17yrs		€ 14,50
Taketsuru Pure Malt 21yrs		€ 19,50

<b>ChiChiBu &amp; Ichiro's Malt, Japan</b>		25 ml
On The Way (58.5%)		€ 14,50
The Floor Malted (50.5%)		€ 14,50
Chibidaru (53.5%)		€ 14,50
Mwr (Mizunara Wood Reserve)		€ 12,50
Double Distillery		€ 12,50
Wine Wood		€ 12,50

<b>Shinshu, Mars Distillery, Japan</b>		25 ml
The Revival 2011 (57%, Cask Strength)		€ 10,50
Sherry & American Oak 2011 (58%, Cask Strength)		€ 10,50

<b>Various Distillery's in Japan</b>		25 ml
Fuijkai 10yrs (Monde Shozu Distillery)		€ 9,50
Yamazakura 16yrs Blended Whisky (Sazanokawa distillery)		€ 12,50
Karuizawa 1999 Geisha Single Cask #2332 (312 Bottles, 58,5%)	(Bottle) € 1950,00	

<b>Kavalan, King Car Distillery, Taiwan</b>		25 ml
Solist ex-Bourbon (± 57.8%, Single Cask)		€ 7,50
Solist ex-Sherry (± 57.8%, Single Cask)		€ 7,50
Solist Portwood (± 56.6%, Single Cask)		€ 9,50
Solist Vinho Barrique (± 57.7%, Single Cask)		€ 10,50
Solist Fino (± 57%, Single Cask)		€ 14,50
Solist Amontillado (± 55.6%, Single Cask)		€ 19,50
Solist Moscatel (± 56.3%, Single Cask)		€ 19,50
Solist Manzanilla (± 57.8%, Single Cask)		€ 19,50

## Whisky Flights

*15ml of each whisky as a small tasting*

Japanese or Taiwanese Nas Flight (Your choice of 3 whisky's of the NAS list)	€ 12,50
Suntory 12yrs (Hakushu 12yrs, Yamazaki 12yrs and Hibiki 12yrs)	€ 22,50
Suntory 18 yrs (Hakushu 18yrs, Yamazaki 18yrs and Hibiki 21yrs)	€ 49,50
ChiChiBu & Ichiro's Malt (Your choice of 3 whisky's of the range)	€ 27,50
Nikka 15yrs (Miyagikyo 15yrs, Yoichi 15yrs and Taketsuru 17yrs)	€ 27,50
Kavalan Solist #1 (ex-Bourbon, ex-Sherry and Vinho Barrique)	€ 17,50
Kavalan Solist #2 (Fino, Amontillado and Moscatel)	€ 34,50

